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Attn: Mail Stop Amendment

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application
Application No. 10/629,798; Filed: July 30, 2003
For: **Deformable Mirror Using Piezoelectric Actuators Formed as an
Integrated Circuit and Method of Use**
Inventors: Govil *et al.*
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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Amendment and Reply Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.111; and
2. Return postcard.

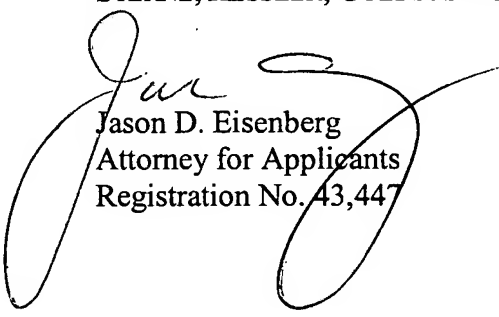
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In reply to the Office Action dated **October 18, 2005**, Applicants submit the following Amendment and Reply.

It is not believed that extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefore (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to our Deposit Account No. 19-0036.